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Subject: RE: ALTN ethanol plant in Mead NE

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From: Green, Jamie
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2019 10:19 AM
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I received a call from NDA re this facility at the end of March and we have had a couple of e-mail/phone calls in the interim. My understanding is that they have been working closely with NDEQ on the site. The facility processes waste/unsold seed corn for ethanol production. It is believed that this is the only type of corn they use and they have been doing so for about 1.5 year or more. The wet cake resulting from the process was previously approved as a soil conditioner by NDA. As such, the facility takes it and piles it on fields for land application at a later time. Strong odors this spring resulted in numerous complaints to DEQ, visits to ER for respiratory issues, and concerns for wildlife and water quality/runoff.

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I asked Don Hamera this morning to reach out to his contact at NDEQ and arrange a call for us to get a better understanding from their perspective of the issues involved and to share our understanding of the issue we've heard from NDA so we all have a common understanding of what's occurring and what options might be considered. That call is tentatively scheduled for 3pm this afternoon.

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Some basic info...Jamie can you share with Ed so it doesn't get lost in translation.

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From: Chu, Ed
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Mark,

Jim Macy was concerned about the above facility storing and applying byproduct waste on land near the facility. He raised a potential FIFRA issue. Do we have any information about this facility?

Sent from my iPhone

